

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request consideration of the subject application. This Response is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed November 10, 2005. Claims 1-12 stand rejected. In this Amendment, claims 1, 3-8 and 10 have been amended. No new matter has been added.

35 U.S.C. § 112 Rejections

The Examiner has rejected the specification under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, as not being written in "full clear, concise, and exact terms."

As noted above, Applicants have submitted a substitute specification to correct these errors in accordance with the Examiner's suggestions.

Applicant, accordingly, respectfully requests withdrawal of the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph.

The Examiner has rejected claims 1-12 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicant regards as the invention.

Applicants have amended the claims, as noted above, to correct the inconsistencies, and in accordance with the Examiner's suggestions.

Applicant, accordingly, respectfully requests withdrawal of the rejections of claims 1-12 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph as being indefinite for

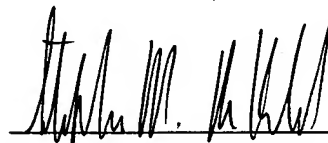
failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicant regards as the invention.

Applicant respectfully submits that the present application is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite or assist in the allowance of the present application, the Examiner is invited to call Stephen De Klerk at (408) 720-8300.

Please charge any shortages and credit any overages to Deposit Account No. 02-2666. Any necessary extension of time for response not already requested is hereby requested. Please charge any corresponding fee to Deposit Account No. 02-2666.

Respectfully submitted,

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